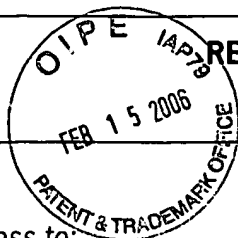


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

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Attorney Docket No. 01-472

Application No. 09/920,980

Filing Date: August 2, 2001

First Named Inventor: Alex

Group Art Unit: 2666

Examiner Name: Patel, Jay P.

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other: Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (i) required)
- b. ☐ Other

APPLICATION FEES

| | | |
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| BASIC FEE | | \$ 790.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time fee | + \$ 450.00 | \$ 450.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other | | \$ |
| Total of above calculations = | | \$ 1240.00 |
| Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity = | | \$(0.00) |
| TOTAL = | | \$ 1240.00 |

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3. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 13-2490 in the amount of \$.
4. ☒ A check in the amount of \$1240.00 is enclosed.
5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge any additional fees of the following types to Deposit Account No. 13-2490:
- a. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
 - b. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.17.
 - c. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.18.
6. The Commissioner is hereby generally authorized under 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3) to treat any future reply in this or any related application filed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53 requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefor, and the Commissioner is hereby specifically authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-2490 for any fee that may be due in connection with such a request for an extension of time.

7. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

☒ I hereby certify that, under 37 CFR § 1.10, I directed that the correspondence identified above be deposited with the United States Postal Service as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee," addressed to Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date indicated below. Express Mail No. EV334648150US.

8. USPTO CUSTOMER NUMBER**20306****McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff LLP****9. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

Name Robert J. Irvine

Reg. No. 41,865

Signature 

Date February 15, 2006

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